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1. The Soviet merchant ship GATCHINA underwent an overhaul of machinery and boiler plants at the Muehlgraben Shipyard in Riga from mid-January to late April 1953. From early January to late April 1954, the GATCHINA was again in the shipyard for the fitting of a new main deck. It was scheduled to return for the fitting of new superstructures during the winter months of 1954 and 1955. 25X1
2. Only women were employed as rust chippers at the Muehlgraben Shipyard. There were also women among the electric welders. Work in the shipyard was very slow, presumably because of the shortage of skilled labor and modern tools. 25X1

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